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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Examiner explained to applicants that the claims were replete with intended use statements that did not allow for patentable weight to be given to the function associated therewith. Examiner also described that claims 1 and 31 recited features not recited in claim 23 that potentially rendered the claims distinct, and that applicants would need to recite amendments to recite properly or remove recitation of the inventoried bag and hidden virtual objects of claim 23 in order to make the substantive features of claims 1, 23, and 31 non-distinct. Applicants will consider said amendments and contact the Examiner if further discussion is required. .